

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1125 - HB 1623

April 3, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows a person with a concealed carry permit to possess firearms while conducting the following:

- accompanying or training fox hounds, rabbit dogs and bird dogs;
- chasing raccoons with dogs;
- traversing any refuge, public hunting area or wildlife management area frequented or inhabited by big game.
- hunting big game with a bow and arrow during archery-only season.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant/Wildlife Resources Fund

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Assumes additional effort will be necessary to enforce the laws that protect against illegal hunting which may lead to increased cost; however, such increase is estimated to be not significant.

Impact depends upon the number of persons not convicted of unlawfully carrying a firearm that would have been in the absence of the bill and the resulting decreased cost to local governments not having to confine such persons versus the decreased revenues to local governments from fines not levied or collected.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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